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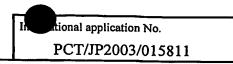
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1. Statement				
Novel	ty (N)	Claims	1-10	YES
		Claims		NO
Invent	tive step (IS)	Claims	1-10	YES
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Indust	rial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-10	YES
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